

CATHOLIC PARISHES OF GERALDTON

St Francis Xavier Cathedral

Administrator Fr Tai Trinh
Assistant Priests Fr Larry Rodillas
Nagle Chaplain Fr Bernard Balaraj

Mass Times Saturday Vigil 6:00pm
 Sunday 7:30am, 9:30am and 6:00pm
 Monday – Friday 7:00am Friday 12:05pm
Saturdays & Public Holidays 9:00am

Confessions Friday 11:30am -11:55am
 Saturday 11:00am -12:00pm & 5:30-5:55pm



St Lawrence's Bluff Point

Mass Times Wednesday 10:30am
 Saturday Vigil 6:00pm Sunday 9:00am
Confessions Saturday 5:30-5:55pm or by appointment

Nazareth House

Monday-Saturday 9:30am Sunday 10:00am

St John's Rangeway Sunday Mass Currently Suspended

St Peter's Greenough Sunday Mass 8:00am

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Year A

7 June 2026

VOCATION VIEW: *That we can collaborate with God is a humbling truth. That God lives among us is startling. That we are the Body of Christ is our vocation*

In 1263 a German priest, Fr. Peter of Prague, made a pilgrimage to Rome. He stopped in Bolsena, Italy, to celebrate Mass at the Church of St. Christina. At the time he was having doubts about Jesus being truly present in the Blessed Sacrament. He was affected by the growing debate among certain theologians who, for the first time in the history of the Church, began introducing doubts about the Body and Blood of Christ being actually present in the consecrated bread and wine. In response to his doubt, when he recited the prayer of consecration as he celebrated the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, blood started seeping from the consecrated host and onto the altar and

corporal.

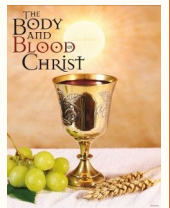
Fr. Peter reported this miracle to Pope Urban IV, who at the time was nearby in Orvieto. The pope sent delegates to investigate and ordered that host and blood-stained corporal be brought to Orvieto. The relics were then placed in the Cathedral of Orvieto, where they remain today.



This Eucharistic Miracle confirmed the visions given to St. Juliana of Mont Cornillon in Belgium (1193-1258). St. Juliana was a nun and mystic who had a series of visions in

which she was instructed by Our Lord to work to establish a liturgical feast for the Holy Eucharist, to which she had a great devotion.

After many years of trying, she finally convinced the bishop, the future Pope Urban IV, to create this special feast in honor of the Blessed Sacrament, where none had existed before. Soon after her death, Pope Urban instituted Corpus Christi for the Universal Church and celebrated it for the first time in Orvieto in 1264, a year after the Eucharistic Miracle in Bolsena.



Gretchen Filz

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Eucharistic Procession Today

We celebrate the feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) today. As per our tradition and part of our celebration, we will have a Eucharistic procession following the 9:30am Mass in the Cathedral. *Everyone is invited to take part in this great event in proclaiming our faith in the Eucharist.*



Baptism Preparation Meeting this week

The next Baptism preparation meeting will be held this Tuesday, 9th June at **5:30pm** in the Parish Seminar Room. This meeting is mandatory for the eldest child to be Baptised. *For booking, please contact the parish office on 9964 1608 or Email: sfxcath@westnet.com.au*



Orchestral Mass on Saturday 20th June at 6 pm

We are looking for sponsors to support this unique event which brings together many young people, members of the wider community and even musicians from Perth to sing and play for Mass. If you can help, please contact Diocesan Director of Music, Jacinta: jacinta.jakovcevic@geraldtoncatholic.org.au 0419 942 099.

All necessary information including Sacraments and bulletins are available on our website. Please visit www.geraldtoncathedral.org

Congratulations

Congratulations to the candidates from St. Lawrence's Primary School who are celebrating their First Holy Communion today at 11:00am in Bluff Point, and to the candidates of St John's School, who will celebrate their First Eucharist next Saturday, 13th June at 4:30pm in St John's Church. May this special occasion deepen their love for Jesus in the Eucharist and strengthen them on their journey of faith. Please keep these children and their families in your prayers as they continue to grow in God's grace.



Morning Tea next Sunday

Everyone is cordially invited to the morning tea next Sunday, 14th June in the Divine Mercy Garden at 10:30am. Welcome all to have a chat and sip a cuppa. Helping hands will be also appreciative.



Readers' Roster

New roster commencing from this weekend is available for Cathedral readers. It was emailed to all a week ago. If you wish to have a hard copy, please collect it from the sacristy. Thank you.

"Prayer ought to be short and pure, unless it be prolonged by the inspiration of Divine grace."

– St. Benedict

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Safeguarding Officers 0470 207 707
 08 9964 1608 / 08 9964 2716



If you require a priest in emergency, phone 9964 1608 (24/7)

Planned Giving and Finances of our Parishes

We are grateful to all for your tremendous support of the planned giving for the year 2025-2026. This system enables us to budget for the needs of our parishes for the year ahead.

As the new financial year commences at the beginning of July, we would request to those who made the pledge to finalise it at the earliest.

Why Two Collections every Sunday?

First Collection

It is known as Clergy Remuneration. The first collection of all churches in the diocese goes to the Clergy Remuneration Fund to meet the expenses of priests in the diocese to pay their stipend and living expenses. Priests are only supported by parishioners.

Second Collection

The source of income for our parishes is the great generosity of the people only. The welfare of the Parish and the Parish Priests relies on the contributions of each and every Parishioners. All monies needed to operate the parish effectively, comes from the

parishioners through the Planned Giving system and the second collection. It is used for the running of the parish including wages for staff, liturgy expenses, pastoral care activities, bulletins, water, electricity, Telephone, insurance, building maintenance etc.

Planned Giving System

It is a system whereby parishioners make a pledge to contribute a certain amount of money for the year by weekly, monthly or yearly. This system enables the parishes to make a budget for the year ahead. We request to all of you to become a member of this system as a commitment to the Parish.

How to Join to help your Parish

If you are not a planned giving donor yet and wish to become a member to support your parish, please contact the parish office or fill out a pledge form available in the Church today or visit our web page either by scanning the QR code or accessing via URL [https://geraldtoncathedral.org/planned-](https://geraldtoncathedral.org/planned-giving/)



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Completed form can be put in the collection bowl or send it to the Parish Office at the earliest either by email or by post.

Setup a Direct Debit

Setting up a direct debit (only for second collection), is the best option for hassle free payments. Please visit our website <https://geraldtoncathedral.org/planned-giving/> and download a Direct Debit form and send/bring completed form to the Parish Office. We will do the rest. You can cancel the Direct Debit at anytime you want by contacting the Parish Office.

Already in the Direct Debit System?

If you already have a Direct Debit in place with the Parish, you do not need to do anything unless you need any changes.

Current Envelope Users

Parish currently do not provide envelopes. If you prefer to use your own envelopes, you are welcome to do so by marking your PG number on it, so that there will be a record of your contribution. Please complete a pledge form for the PG number.

Are you or anyone you know housebound or isolated?

The Catholic Parishes of Geraldton Home Visitation Ministry can help. **We Offer:**

Social and Emotional Support

Friendly, regular visits from trained volunteers

Connection to Parish and Community Services



For More Information

Gerry Eastman 0417 912997

Alison Dawson 0438 215 112

Illuminate Catholic Youth Camp

Young people aged 12–17 years are invited to attend the **ILLUMINATE Catholic Youth Camp** at Eagles Nest Youth Formation Centre, Gidgegannup WA, from 3:00pm Friday 10th July to 3:00pm Sunday 12th July 2026. This exciting weekend of faith, friendship and fun is hosted by Catholic Youth Ministry Perth. The cost is **\$120**, with registrations closing on 3rd July.



Looking for First Holy Communion Gifts or Cards?

Piety gift items for many occasions are available in our parish office!

There are beautiful statues, plaques and other items

Bibles, Missals, Crucifix, religious books, medals, rosary beads as well as a great selection of greeting cards for various occasions such

as Birthdays, Christening, Feast days,

Jubilee, First Holy Communion,

Confirmation, Wedding, Jubilee,

Anniversaries and many more. . . .

EFTPOS available...



Welcome to visit during the office hours!

Diocesan Office

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Please Save the Date for a Big Garage Sale

Please save Saturday 18th July for a Big Garage Sale, Sausage Sizzle and Bake Sale to be held at the Catholic Centre. The funds raised will support the Atholget Women and Children's Health fund and the people of Akot Village in South Sudan. Civil unrest and a poor growing season means there is serious food insecurity and poverty right now.

We are asking the people of Geraldton and the surrounding parishes to assist us with this fund-raising effort. If you are able to donate food for the Bake Sale or goods for the Garage Sale (no electrical items please), we would be very grateful. Please contact Monica on 0437814872 if you are able to assist or require donated goods to be collected.

If you require a priest in an emergency please phone 9964 1608 (24/7)

If you or family members are admitted to hospital (or sick and at home) and wish to receive holy communion/pastoral visit, please ring the Parish Office on 9964 1608. You can also request the hospital staff to inform the Parish Office that you have been admitted in the hospital.



When you Call After Hours

Afterhours phone calls are expected for emergency pastoral care only. Any other enquiries and bookings must be made during the office hours. If the duty Priest is involved in a ministry when you call, *for example during a Mass*, he won't be able to pick it up. So please try after some time or leave a clear voice message with your full name and phone number for him to call you back. Thank you.

The Eucharist not only keeps alive the memory of what Christ has done by giving his life for us. More profoundly, the Eucharist manifests the ever-present experience of what Christ and the Spirit continue to do for us throughout our lives. This week's first reading (Deuteronomy) connects the celebration of the Eucharist to the Exodus event of Israel's liberation from slavery in Egypt. Again, the Israelites do not just remember what God has done for them in the past – liberating them, and feeding them in the desert with "manna from heaven" – but celebrating the way God continues to be with them throughout all of life's trials, tribulations, hopes and joys. Everything we have – food, shelter, love, friendship and personal talents – are gifts given to us by God to share with others.

In St Paul's Letter to the people of Corinth, we are told the gifts of bread and wine are the very body and blood of Christ enabling us to be in communion with the Trinitarian God. Moreover, Paul's emphasis on "one loaf" means, in the words of the hymn, "we though many are truly one." Hence the importance of the sign of peace

we offer to one another each time we celebrate the Eucharist. In the gospel, we hear Jesus speak of the "living bread that comes down from heaven."

Pope Francis told us that "the Eucharist is not a prize for the perfect, but medicine and nourishment for the weak!" In saying this he is



not suggesting we should go to the Eucharist without thoughtfulness, prayer and presence of mind; but he is also reminding us that all of us, without exception, come to the Eucharist as sinners in need of God's healing grace and mercy.

Pope Francis also provides guidelines for how the Eucharist should make a real difference in our lives and relationships with others. First, he says, we need to relate to people, sharing in their joys, hopes, sorrows and sufferings. Furthermore, this

should enable us to reach out to the poor, sick and marginalised people, seeing in them the face of Christ.

Second, experiencing God's forgiveness in the Eucharist should enable us to see ourselves as "forgiven sinners" who are empowered to reach out in forgiveness to others. In this way the Eucharist enables us to overcome pride and division. Third, the Eucharist should enable us to become active disciples of Jesus Christ. While we Christians do not claim to be better than others, we nonetheless recognise our particular mission is to make Christ known and loved through a spirit of prayer, action and care for all our brothers and sisters, most especially those in need.

In the words of Anglo-Catholic poet TS Eliot, Christ is "the still point of the turning world." It is especially through our celebration of the Eucharist that our distracted, busy, turning worlds are stilled by the overpowering, silent mystery that camouflages the saving, liberating, loving presence of Christ in the broken bread and sweetened wine.

For He is indeed truly present among us as the very life of the world.

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CENTACARE COMMUNITY LONG TABLE

Gather & Grow

Saturday 13th June at Nukara Farm from 5:00pm

Ticket Price Includes

Welcome drink & canapés | Three-course dinner Door prize raffle

What to Expect

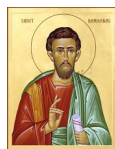
Community storytelling | Live auction & raffles | Photography exhibition, Games & fundraising activities | Live music & DJ set | Cash bar Relaxed, seated long-table dinner in Nukara's Stone Barn.

A night to gather among nature & community.

TICKETS AT \$210 OR BUY A GROUP OF 8 AND GET ONE TICKET FREE AT \$1470

For Tickets pls visit <https://events.humanitix.com/GATHERANDGROW>

For more details please visit <https://centacaregeraldton.org.au/gather-and-grow/>



Feasts of the Week

- 11 Jun Thu Saint Barnabas
- 12 Jun Fri The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus



THE PILGRIM ROSARY STATUE OF THE CATHEDRAL

The Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of Fatima will be in the Bishop House at 7 Maitland Street until 12th June. Rosary will be prayed at **5pm Mon - Fri**.



Exposition in the Cathedral

Every Thursday after 7am Mass until 8am, Saturdays 8:30-9:00am followed by Mass and First Fridays 11 am-12 pm and 7:30-9:30pm

Holy Hour at Nazareth House Chapel

Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 4:00-5:00 pm
Sundays 3-4pm in the Nazareth House main Chapel.



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Parish Finances

Contributions of 31st May 2026

	Cathedral	Rangeway	Bluff Point
Priests' Collection \$	1444.15		592.15
Planned Giving \$	170.00	77.00	125.00
Parish Collection \$	1214.25		312.00
Friday Fast \$	47.40		



Please pray for those who are ill:

Rose Ralph, Tim Conway, Maria Salamone, Maureen Burke, Andres Rodillas, Peter Scarpuzza, Diana Bennett, Erica Pirrottina, Kim-Maree Kelly, Shirley Travis, Allan Malonzo, Pat Miragliotta, Derek Levett, Ron Coumbe, Matthew Greenlees, Ramon Tan Jr., Zenaida Tan, Peg Faithfull, Colleen Salter, Sr Terri Emslie pbvm, David Muir, Francesca Guagliardo and Bronwyn Marsh.

For the deceased: Frank & Lina Zinetti, Jim & Nancy Ward, Don McDonald, Joan Kinbacher and Celine Stephens.

Anniversaries: Iszac Rowe, Cecilia Taylor, Hazel McLoughlin and Allanah Langton.

Recently Deceased: Merle Ross.



Entrance Antiphon

He fed them with the finest wheat
and satisfied them with honey from the rock.

First Reading (Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14-16)

A Reading from the book of Deuteronomy

Moses said to the people: 'Remember how the Lord your God led you for forty years in the wilderness, to humble you, to test you and know your inmost heart-whether you would keep his commandments or not. He humbled you, he made you feel hunger, he fed you with manna which neither you nor your fathers had known, to make you understand that man does not live on bread alone but that man lives on everything that comes from the mouth of the Lord. 'Do not then forget the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery: who guided you through this vast and dreadful wilderness, a land of fiery serpents, scorpions, thirst; who in this waterless place brought you water from the hardest rock; who in this wilderness fed you with manna that your fathers had not known.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 147)

R. Praise the Lord, Jerusalem

O praise the Lord, Jerusalem! Zion, praise your God! He has strengthened the bars of your gates, he has blessed the children within you.

R.

He established peace on your borders, he feeds you with finest wheat. He sends out his word to the earth and swiftly runs his command.

R.

He makes his word known to Jacob, to Israel his laws and decrees. He has not dealt thus with other nations; he has not taught them his decrees.

R.

Second Reading (1 Corinthians 10:16-17)

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

The blessing-cup that we bless is a communion with the blood of Christ, and the bread that we break is a communion with the body of Christ. The fact that there is only one loaf means that, though there are many of us, we form a single body because we all have a share in this one loaf.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE

Behold the bread of angels, sent
For pilgrims in their banishment,
The bread for God's true children meant,
That may not unto dogs be given:

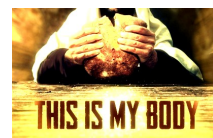
Oft in the olden types foreshowed;
In Isaac on the altar bowed,
And in the ancient paschal food,
And in the manna sent from heaven.

Come then, good shepherd, bread divine,
Still show to us thy mercy sign;
Oh, feed us still, still keep us thine;
So may we see thy glories shine

In fields of immortality;
O thou, the wisest, mightiest, best,



Our present food, our future rest,
Come, make us each thy chosen guest,
Co-heirs of thine, and comrades blest
With saints whose dwelling is with thee.



Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord;
whoever eats this bread will live for ever..... Alleluia!

Gospel (John 6:51-58)

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to John

Jesus said to the Jews: 'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.' Then the Jews started arguing with one another: 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' they said. Jesus replied: 'I tell you most solemnly, if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will not have life in you. Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life, and I shall raise him up on the last day. For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him. As I, who am sent by the living Father, myself draw life from the Father, so whoever eats me will draw life from me. This is the bread come down from heaven; not like the bread our ancestors ate: they are dead, but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Communion Antiphon

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood
remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, Almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son;
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by
the Holy Spirit, (**bow for the following line ***)
*born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was
crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into
heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from there He will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the
communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of
the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Exodus 19:2-6 | Psalm 99 | Romans 5:6-11 | Matthew 9:36-10:8